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Honorable Edward Kennedy  
United States Senator  
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Dear Senator Kennedy:

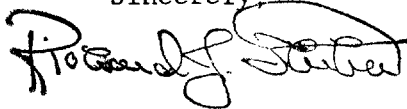
This is in reply to your letter of February 15, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of your constituent, W.R. Leonhardt, regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Your constituent is specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your constituent's concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest. Your constituent's letter will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Shiben  
Chief, Land Mobile & Microwave Division  
Private Radio Bureau

Enclosures

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Respectfully referred to:

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Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated by

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Sen. Edward M. Kennedy  
407 JFK Building  
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FCC PR Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Kennedy,

I build and fly model aircraft and among them are radio controlled sailplanes.

I am concerned that the rules being proposed in the above proposal will restrict if not end my flying of radio controlled models.

Our equipment frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land based dispatch operations. However our frequencies on this band are far enough apart so we can share without interfering with each other.

FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies that will move closer and interfere with our radio control frequencies thereafter. We now have 50 usable frequencies and after this rule change we'll only have 19 useable frequencies. Mine will be unuseable.

I do not think the FCC should improve operating conditions for land mobile radio at our expense. FCC probably does not think we are very important, but thousands of people, like me build and fly radio controlled models and we have invested a substantial amount of money and time while enjoying our hobby.

I would like very much for you to look into this proposed rule change that the FCC is hatching.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Sincerely,

*W.R. Leonhardt*  
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